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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is an Amendment in response to the Office Action of August 10, 2006 along with a certified English-language translation of German Patent Application No. 102 43 270.8 (on which foreign priority is based).

Applicants respectfully petition for **one-month extension of time** to respond to the Office Action of August 10, 2006, for which a three-month response period expired on November 10, 2006. The extended period for response expires on December 10, 2006. Please charge the one-month extension fee of **\$120.00** and any additional fees to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon LLP, deposit account number **11-0600**. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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